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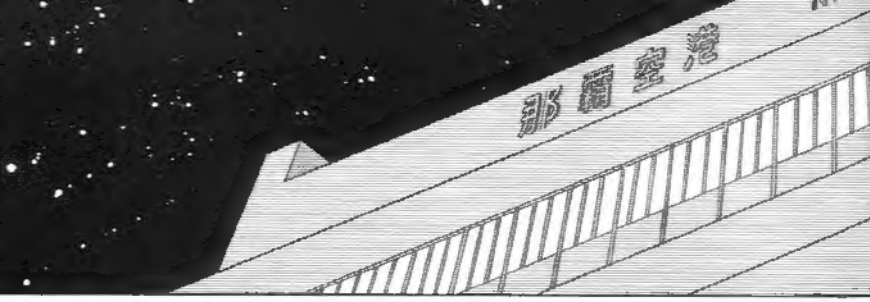
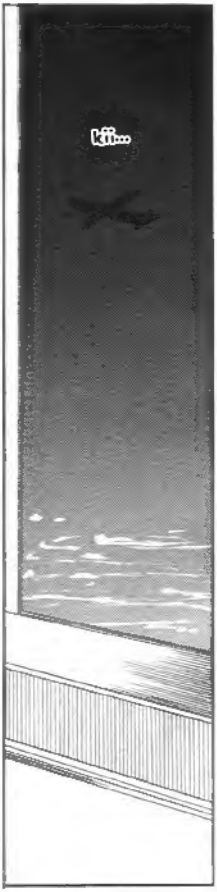

那覇空港

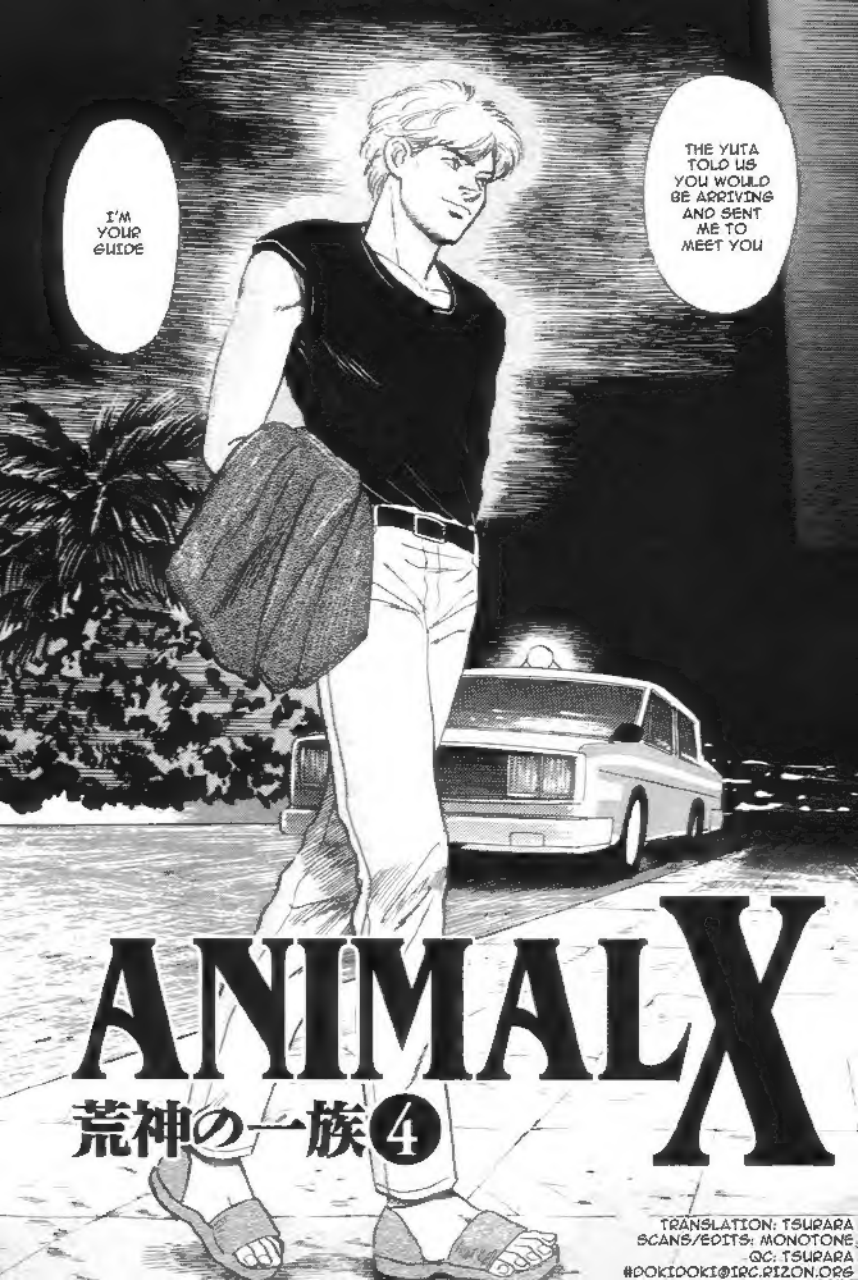
IT'S INCRED-IBLE-
THAT SOMETHING LIKE THAT CAN FLY


kii...

I'VE NEVER RIDDEN ON AN AIRPLANE BEFORE --
airplaaane
airplaaane
I KNOW, I KNOW

WE CAN LOCATE THE OKINAWAN VILLAGE USING THIS DOCUMENT BUT
WE'RE GOING TO NEED TO TAKE A SHIP TO ASATO ISLAND FROM NAHA

YUUJI, I DON'T THINK WE NEED TO LOOK FOR THEM
ONE'S HERE
HEY, BROT-HERS
I'VE BEEN WAIT-ING!



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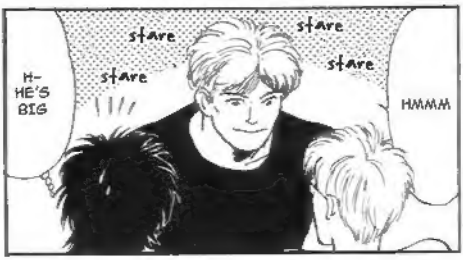

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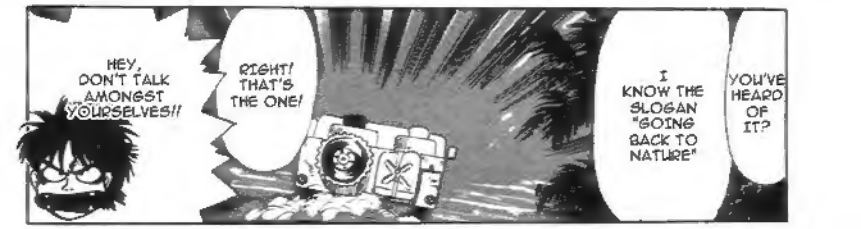
AMI SUGIMOTO

YUUJI IS MY MATE, GOT IT!!
DON'T STARE AT HIM!!
AH... N-NO, NOT EXACTLY
REALLY? YOU BELONG TO HIM?
I HATE THIS GUY...
WE SHOULD REACH THE ISLAND BY DAWN. OUR ISLAND IS RUN SORT OF LIKE A COMMUNE, EVERYONE PITCHES IN
YOUR JEALOUSY IS SORT OF CUTE THOUGH
MINATO
HA HA HA HA

EEEH?
UM
WE'RE ALSO THE ORIGINAL HOME OF THE NATURE WORSHIP CULT THAT'S GAINING POPULARITY ACROSS THE NATION


HEY, DON'T TALK AMONGST YOURSELVES!!
RIGHT! THAT'S THE ONE!
I KNOW THE SLOGAN "GOING BACK TO NATURE"
YOU'VE HEARD OF IT?

SO THEY'RE TALKING ABOUT YOU TWO WHEN THEY SAY "EXPERIMENT #1"
HEY, ARE YOU ALRIGHT?
...I DIDN'T REALLY CATCH THE SPECIFICS BUT IT DOESN'T SEEM LIKE THEY'VE DONE ANYTHING ABOUT IT JUST YET... AT LEAST I DON'T THINK SO...
S-SEA-SICK----

BUT YOU GUYS RAN INTO SOME TROUBLE, DIDN'T YOU?
SO? SEEMS LIKE EVENTUALLY-- THE PLAN IS TO UNITE OUR RACE WITH THAT OF HUMANS, BUT HOW FAR CAN YOU ACTUALLY TAKE SOMETHING LIKE THAT?

JUST GET TO THE FRICKING ISLAND ALREADY!!
THIS GUY'S REALLY NOISY, ISN'T HE?
YOU'RE A GIRL AREN'T YOU...
NOW I DON'T KNOW IF THEY LET YOU HANG OVER THE SIDE BACK IN HONSHU, BUT HERE YOU'LL GET BETTER TREATMENT
THE OKINAWAN VILLAGE ISN'T LIKE THE OTHERS, WE TREAT OUR WOMEN WITH MORE CARE.
I THINK YOU'LL FIND THAT OKINAWAN MEN WILL TREAT YOU GENTLY
I GUESS THIS PROBABLY HAS SOMETHING TO DO WITH THE MENSTRUATION
HAA----

THERE SHE IS!!
GINJI!!
WELCOME
BROTHERS
THEY'RE HERE!! HEEEY!!
THAT'S ASATO ISLAND. HOW YA FEELING?
WELL THERE'S NOTHING ELSE TO THROW UP SO... HAHAHA...
I'M NOT SURE WHAT'S GOING ON, BUT IT SEEMS PRETTY COOL
IT'S THE GUESTS FROM THE MAIN-LAND!

GO AHEAD, DIG IN!!
YOU'RE TIRED, AREN'T YOU?
YOU GOTTA TRY THE SOBA!!
NO WAY, TRY THE CHANPURU* FIRST!
*A CASSEROLE TYPE DISH WITH VEGETABLES, TOFU, AND/OR BITS OF MEAT/SEAFOOD
BACK OFF, YOU'LL GET HIM PREGNANT!!
OH NO, I'M TERRIBLE AT HOLDING MY LIQUOR!!
AOMORI** THEN!!
I'M AFRAID I CAN'T REALLY EAT ANYTHING NOW---
YOU CAN MEET THE ELDER AFTER YOU'VE TAKEN IT EASY A BIT
SO JUST RELAX
MIN-ATO--
**OKINAWAN SAKE

THIS WAY
WATCH YOUR STEP, AND KEEP AN EYE OUT FOR CICADAS
ZAZAZAZA
EH, ISN'T THAT A HABU*?!
YUUJI, I CAUGHT A SNAKE
THAT'S RIGHT
*DEADLY POISONOUS SEMI-AQUATIC SNAKE
THERE IT IS, THE ELDER'S PLACE---
GODAMMIT DON'T TOUCH HIM!!

SEEMS LIKE A PRETTY OLD BUILDING
IT SHOULD, IT'S BEEN HERE SINCE THE RYUUKYUU DYNASTY*
*1400 S-ISH)
BY THE POSTWAR PERIOD THIS ISLAND HAD GROWN TO BE VIRTUALLY UNINHABITED BUT
THE ELDER CALLED FOR ALL THOSE WITH THE OLD BLOOD TO GATHER HERE AND EVER SINCE THEY'VE BEEN COMING ONE BY ONE
THIS BUILDING IS CALLED "THE SANCTUARY OF THE GODS"
OR THE "MUI UGAN". THERE ARE A LOT OF NAMES BUT----
BUT USUALLY WE JUST CALL IT THE MAIN HOUSE
WELL! IT'S BENEATH!

*YUTA - FEMALE MEDIUMS USED TO INVOKE THE GODS
THIS IS
THE YUTA* AND MYSTICS USE IT
THE GODS ARE CLOSE BY HERE
GODS?
OUR ELDER HAS THE POWER TO HEAL WITH HIS HANDS
SO THE FAITHFUL OFTEN GATHER HERE
TH. THANK YOU SO MUCH
I'M NEARLY DONE HERE, SO SHOW THEM IN
ELDER, THE GUESTS

PLEASE
!
...YOU'VE FINALLY COME
WELL THEN, COME CLOSER

THE YUTA OF THIS ISLAND SAW YOU IN THEIR DREAMS... THE ONE WHO AWAKENED IN THE MAINLAND
WHAT IS IT THAT TRANSPIRED THERE
I'D LIKE YOU TO TELL ME

AMONG THOSE WITH THE TRUE BLOOD THERE'S A SENSE THAT SOMETHING FROM THE NORTH IS MOVING
AND WITH THESE EYES I CAN SEE THAT WITH IT COMES SOMETHING MUCH OLDER THAN I
WHAT AMAZING EYES..
AND HIS FACE LOOKS SO KIND WHEN HE SMILES...
PERHAPS HE SENSES THAT HUMANS HAVE NO FUTURE IN THEIR OWN SPECIES.
BUT THAT HUMAN CALLED TADOKORO

THEY WERE A COMMUNAL VILLAGE-BASED CULTURE DURING THE STONE AGE AND INTO THE JOMON PERIOD
IN ANTIQUITY---- THE VOICES OF THE RYUUKYUU ISLAND NATIVE PEOPLES WERE RAISED WITH WORSHIP FOR OUR RACE. AND WE OFTEN ANSWERED.
THEY BEGAN CONSTRUCTING FORTS AND DEVELOPED A TASTE FOR BATTLE
WE WERE WIPED OUT IN THE SOUTHERN, NORTHERN AND WESTERN ISLANDS, PASSING INTO FOLKLORE AS THOUGH WE HAD NEVER EXISTED AT ALL. AND LIKEWISE, WE PASSED INTO THEIR RELIGION AS SHADOWS AND PHANTOMS.
SOON WE TOO BEGAN TO SUFFER
AND THE FEW THAT REMAINED CAME TO REGARD US NOT AS 'GODS' BUT AS TERRIBLE ENEMIES
HOWEVER THEY WERE, AS A RACE OF HUNTERS AND SOON LEARNED TO EXCEL IN ARCHERY
WHEN THE CLIMATE CHANGED AND THE RICE CROPS FAILED, EXPOSED TO THE INFLUENCES OF OUTSIDE CULTURE AS WELL AS THE DISEASES OF THE FOREIGNERS THAT BROUGHT IT, THE JOMON-ERA PEOPLE FELL INTO DISARRAY

BECOMING TOO MANY, DESTROYING TOO MUCH
AND THEN FROM THAT POINT ON HUMANS SWARMED THE EARTH
PLAGUE ..!!
DO YOU KNOW OF "NATURAL SELECTION"?
HUNGER WAR THE CALAMITY THEY ARE CAUSING WITH THEIR DISREGARD FOR THE ENVIRONMENT
CONTINUING AT THIS RATE, HUMANS TOO WILL PASS INTO LEGEND..
AND OF COURSE, PLAGUE
WHY, OF ALL THE MAMMALS, WAS IT HUMANITY?
THE MOST COVETOUS AND DESTRUCTIVE CREATURE IN THE END, WAS THE ONE TO DOMINATE THE PLANET

I DO NOT BELIEVE THAT OUR KIND AND HUMANS CAN EVER BE "FRIENDS" REALLY
HOWEVER
YOU AND I ARE THE ONLY BEINGS IN THIS WORLD AND HUMANITY

NO. I DON'T UNDERSTAND WHAT YOU'RE SAYING
AND WHAT WOULD THAT CHILD BE? AN AMALGAMATION OF OUR RACES? OR SOMETHING ENTIRELY NEW?
THE REAL QUESTION IS IF YOU ARE WILLING TO BEAR THE CHILD THAT WOULD UNITE OUR BLOOD
I'M NOT APPROVING OF THE HUMANS PLANS BUT
AT THIS RATE, WHATEVER THE OUTCOME, OUR BLOODLINE WILL END
PLEASE REST, ELDER
---NOW, I'M A BIT TIRED
YOU DON'T NEED TO NURSE ME WITH SUCH CARE

---THOUGH THERE IS ONE MORE THING I WANT TO SAY
TOMORROW WE'LL SHOW YOU THE REST OF THE VILLAGE BUT FOR TONIGHT, PLEASE REST HERE
THERE WERE SOME GUYS FROM KYUUSHUU WE WERE HELPING OUT AT THE ELDER'S REQUEST, THOUGH WE SEEM TO HAVE LOST CONTACT WITH THEM
BUT AS PART OF THE DEAL THEY PROMISED A TRIBUTE AND WE WANT TO COLLECT IT BY TRYING TO CONTINUE THE BLOODLINE
MIN-ATO
YOU'LL SHARE HIM, WON'T YOU
BETWEEN YOU AND THE REST OF US
HISA-SAN!!

SLAM!!
NO ONE'S SHARING WITH YOU!!
GET OUT YOU ASS-HOLE!!
I- I'M GOING TO TAKE A SHO-WER
YUUJI, I---
I'VE BEEN DYING TO DO THAT SINCE THE DAY BEFORE YESTER-DAY!!
patan
BUT IT'S A GOOD THING I THINK WHAT HE SAID ABOUT THE KID---

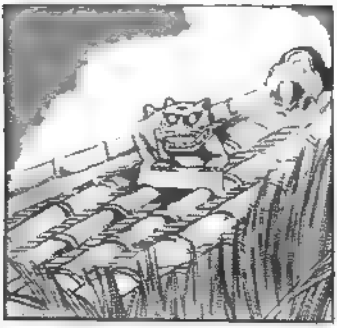
THAT'S WHAT REAL MATING IS ALL ABOUT AFTER ALL----
I WON'T FORCE YOU, BUT

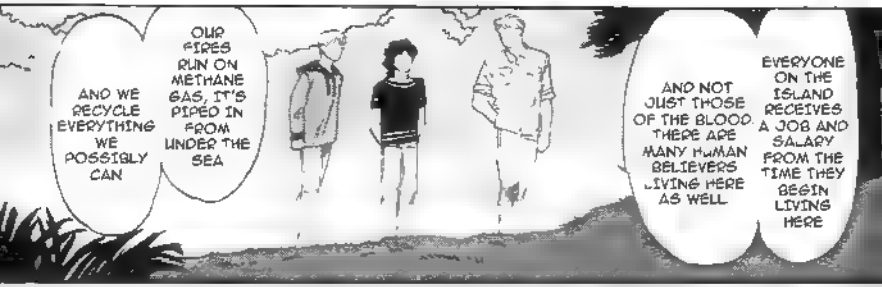
ME, PREG-NANT? GIVING BIRTH?
I CAN'T EVEN IMAGINE IT MINATO

WHAT'S THIS, YUU-CHAN?
OPEN IT AND SEE
IT'S A RING!!
OF COURSE I UNDERSTAND THAT MY BODY HAS BEEN GRADUALLY CHANGING
BUT I CAN'T JUST ACCEPT IT
AND IT'S NOT EVEN MY BIRTHDAY!!
BUT THE CEREMONY'S IN TWO YEARS!!
THANK YOU
BUT I'M REALLY HAPPY!!

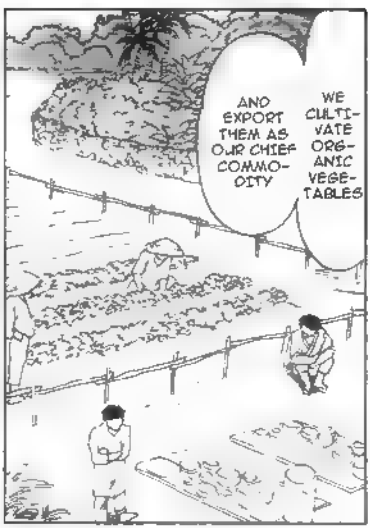
YOU'LL NEVER BE ABLE TO FORGIVE ME WILL YOU...!!
KYOUKO-CHAN, I DON'T WANT THIS I'M TURNING INTO A WOMAN
YUUJI..

THIS BLANKET
I WAS SO TIRED LAST NIGHT
!
MINATO




AND WE RECYCLE EVERYTHING WE POSSIBLY CAN
OUR FIRES RUN ON METHANE GAS, IT'S PIPED IN FROM UNDER THE SEA
AND NOT JUST THOSE OF THE BLOOD. THERE ARE MANY HUMAN BELIEVERS LIVING HERE AS WELL
EVERYONE ON THE ISLAND RECEIVES A JOB AND SALARY FROM THE TIME THEY BEGIN LIVING HERE

NATURE HAS A PLAN FOR THEM-- AS IT DOES FOR ALL OF US
IT'S THEIR GENETIC CALLING
BUT THE ARTISTS IN THE VILLAGE ARE FREE TO PURSUE ART


AND EXPORT THEM AS OUR CHIEF COMMODITY
WE CULTIVATE ORGANIC VEGETABLES

THE PLAN IS TO REPLICATE THE SYSTEM OF THE ANCIENTS AND LIVE IN HARMONY WITH NATURE
OF COURSE, IT'S A FAR-OFF DREAM BUT---
THERE MAY COME A TIME WHEN IT WILL MAKE A DIFFE-RENCE---
A TIME WHEN WE ALL HAVE TO LIVE THIS WAY JUST TO KEEP SURVIVING

WAA, A RED FISH!
IT'S AN ISLAND, DID YOU EXPECT CHICKEN NUG-GETS--
CAN'T YOU EAT IT?--
WHAT'S THAT SOUND?

YUUJI, I DON'T HAVE ANYWHERE TO GO BACK TO
AND YOU'RE ALL ALONE TOO
SO COULDN'T WE BE TOGETHER---
MINATO
I'M SORRY

I STILL DON'T KNOW WHAT'S THE RIGHT THING TO DO
OUR "WOMAN" HAS COME
THEY'RE PREPARING A CELE-BRATION
HEY, SAY THAT IF YOU LIE TOGETHER IN THE FIELDS AT NIGHT---
THERE'S AN OLD RYUKYUAN SAYING ABOUT MEN AND WOMEN

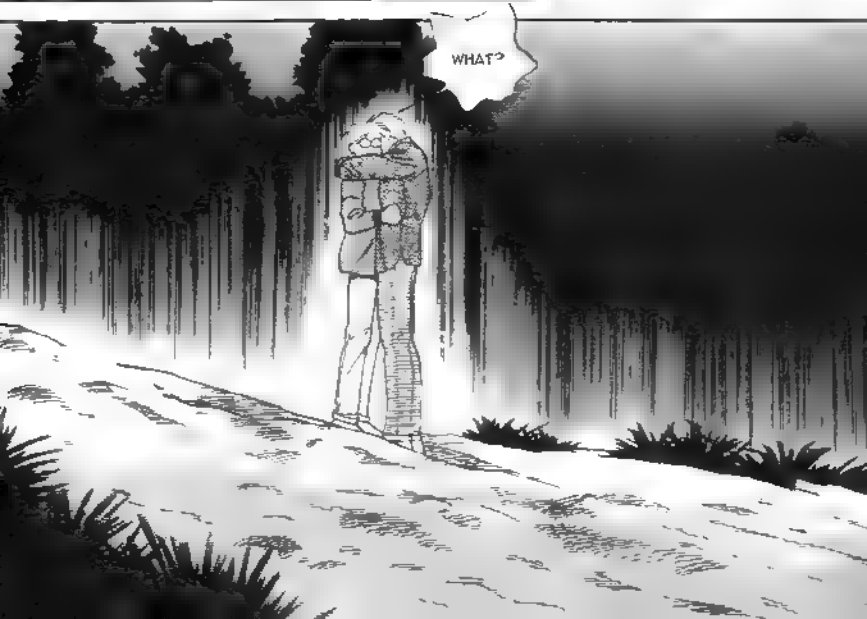
THERE WILL CERTAINLY BE CHILDREN
AND THAT'S ALL THAT MATTERS AFTER ALL
WHAT THE HELL DO YOU KNOW?!
THAN LOVE
THE DUTY TO CONTINUE THE SPECIES IS MORE IMPORTANT
DO YOU REALLY THINK YOU CAN?
I COULD TRY TO TAKE YUUJI FROM YOU BY FORCE

I CAN
UNLIKE YOU, I'M AN ADULT
ZAZAZAA
HOW PATH-ETIC.
I HAVE NO SENSE OF DIRECTION AT ALL..
BUT EVEN IF I WENT BACK, WHAT COULD I SAY TO MINATO.. ?
gasaa

IT'S DANGER-OUS
NO. UM, ACTUALLY I'M LOST

FOR A GIRL TO GO WALKING ALONE

HIGA-SAN!
TAKING A WALK AT THIS TIME OF NIGHT?


WHAT?

BECAUSE I'M A KID? I WAS BORN AND RAISED SAME AS HIM, WASN'T I?
YUUJI
HIGA-SAN
WHA WHA" ARE YOU-
TO BE BLUNT I'M GOING TO HOLD YOU RIGHT HERE AND NOW
AND I'M GOING TO MAKE A CHILD FOR MY PEOPLE

THIS IS JUST TO CONTINUE THE BLOODLINE"
IF YOU CO OPERATE, I WON'T BE ROUGH WITH YOU
STAY STILL
!
WHY
WHY IS IT THAT YOU CAN LOOK AT ME LIKE THAT?

YUUJI
NO
I'M SORRY
I'D DIE IF I WERE HELD BY A MAN
THEY SAY THAT FEMALES WITH THE TRUE BLOOD BECOME EVEN MORE BEAUTIFUL WHEN THEY'RE PREGNANT
I'M SURE IT WOULD BE THE SAME WITH YOU
I'D LIKE TO HOLD YOUR HAND I WON'T DO ANYTHING ELSE
.....

N- NO! YOU CAN'T!! HE WON'T LET YOU!!
!! MINATO?
WHAT IF I KILLED THAT KID?
O-DON'T FIGHT WITH MINATO!! IF ANYTHING HAPPENED TO HIM I
HE'S PRETTY STRONG THEN?
YOU WHAT?
!!

'NIGHT
THE ROOM'S A BIT FARTHER THIS WAY
THAT KID
ARE YOU REALLY ATTACHED TO HIM?
I'M TO MINATO...?
NO WAY
rub rub
UGH
KISSED BY A MAN
GAGGAG
I'M JUST GETTING CLOSER TO MINATO THAT'S RIGHT
WHERE WERE YOU?!

A GIRL NOW, HUH SO MANY NEW RULES.. HAHA
I... IS THAT SO I M

UM... I KIND OF GOT LOST N-NO SENSE OF DIRECTION
IT'S DANGE-ROUS FOR GIRLS TO WALK ALONE

I THOUGHT YOU WERE NEVER COMING BACK!
I WAS LOOKING ALL OVER FOR YOU, THOUGHT YOU DROWNED IN THE SEA OR WERE HURT

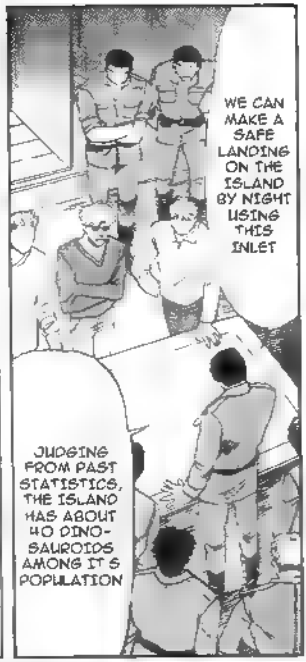
THANK YOU...
MINATO. I'M SORRY

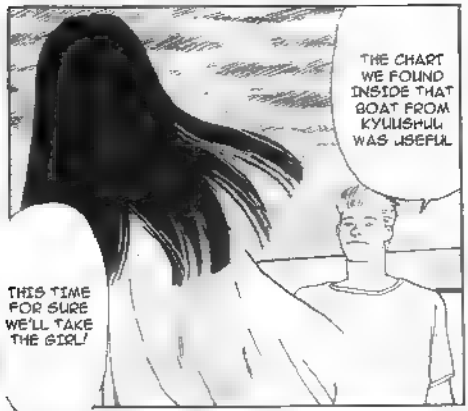
MINATO.
MAYBE I AM
ARE YOU REALLY ATTATCHED TO THAT KID?
WHENEVER HE'S SINCERE OR PROTECTIVE, IT'S LIKE MY HEART JUST FILLS.

HAS PART OF MY HEART BECOME FEMALE TOO?
WHAT'S WRONG!?
IT'S THE YUTA! SHE SUDDENLY COLLAPSED!!

IT'S COM-ING. !!
WHAT IS?
TO THIS ISLAND
MISFORTUNE!!
ZA
ZA
ZA
ZA

MAYA
I THINK, GIVEN OUR NUMBERS WE CAN OVER-WHELM THE VILLAGE IN ONE NIGHT


WE CAN MAKE A SAFE LANDING ON THE ISLAND BY NIGHT USING THIS INLET
JUDGING FROM PAST STATISTICS, THE ISLAND HAS ABOUT 40 DINO-SAUROIDS AMONG IT'S POPULATION


THE CHART WE FOUND INSIDE THAT BOAT FROM KYUUSHUU WAS USEFUL
THIS TIME FOR SURE WE'LL TAKE THE GIRL!

LOOK, BROTHER ALL THE CORAL IS DYING
DEVELOP-MENT HAS EVEN STAINED THE SEA

STILL HATE HUMANS AS MUCH AS EVER HUH
OF COURSE, AND IF WE SUCCEED IN THIS
THEY WILL ALL BE REDUCED TO BEGGING FOR THEIR OWN PITIFUL LIVES
THAT'S RIGHT IF WE SUCCEED
I CAN SEE IT!! IT'S ASATO-JIMA!!

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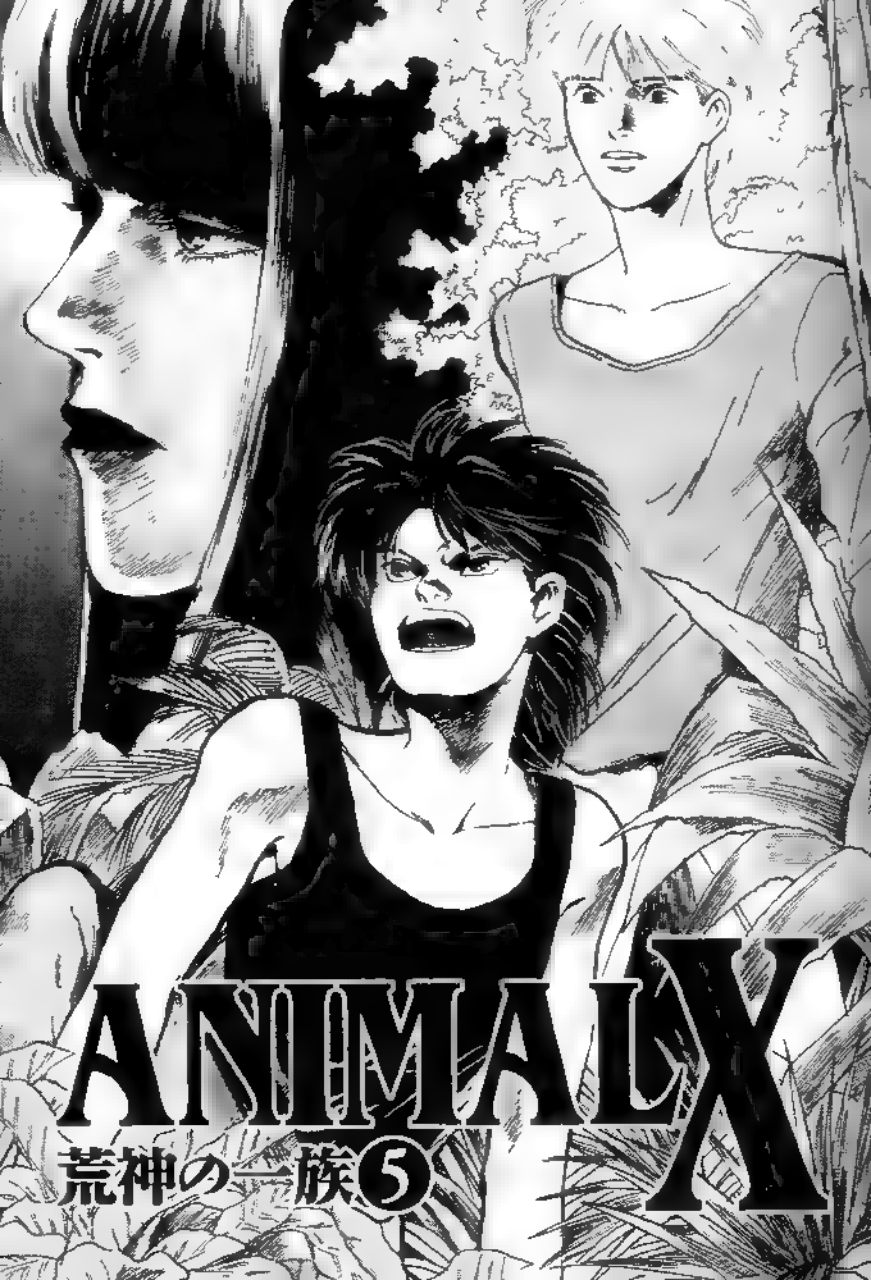
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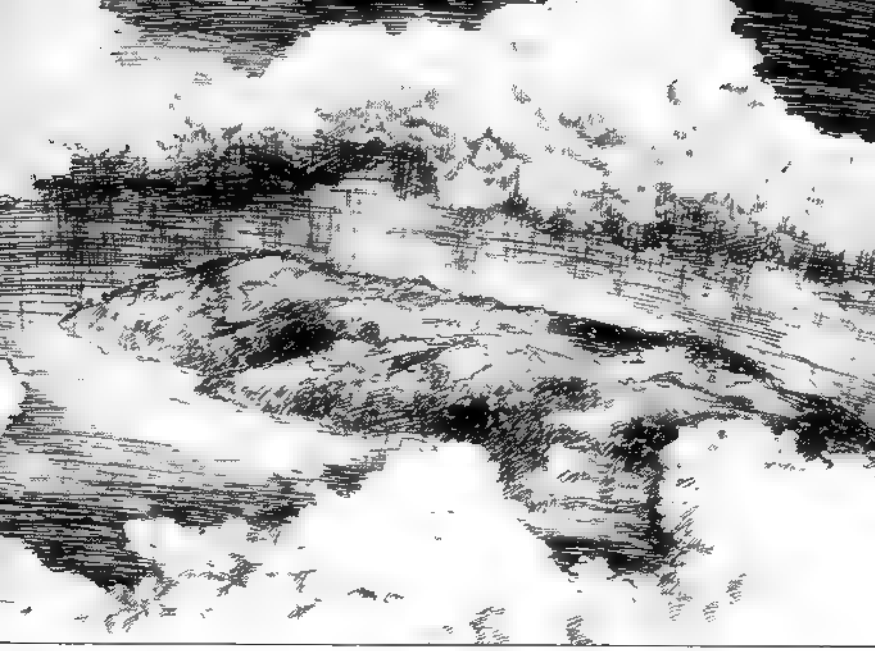

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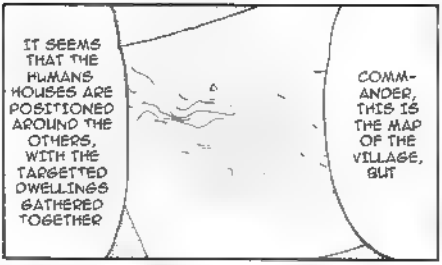
THE GUYS FROM KYUUSHUU GOT JUMPED
THAT MUST BE WHY WE NEVER HEARD BACK FROM THEM AFTER WE SENT THEM TO CONTACT YOU.
!!
THEY FOUND ONLY THEIR BOAT AT THE PIER IN OSAKA. SOMETHING MUST HAVE HAPPENED
COULD IT BE ?!
COULD IT BE WHAT?
WHAT DO YOU THINK HAPP-ENED?
I SAW DOCTOR TA-TADO-KORO'S PAPERS AND
YUUJI!
OKINAWA'S DATA WAS INCLUDED.

KEPT THIS FROM US INTENT-IONALLY?
COULD IT BE THAT YOU TWO
WHAT'S WITH THE TEMPER?!
THERE ISN'T MUCH ON THE TOPIC OF THIS ISLAND, BUT...
WHAT GOOD ARE THESE NOW?!
UNTIL NOW NOTHING'S GOTTEN PAST THE YUTA!
THIS ISN'T A COINCIDENCE, SOMETHING'S HAPPENED! ON THIS ISLAND!!

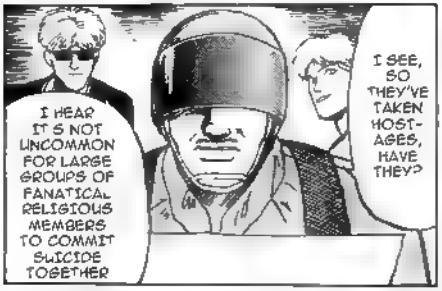
SO WHAT ? IT WAS ONLY A MATTER OF TIME! YOU'RE THE ONES WHO STARTED THIS FOOL'S ERRAND!
MINATO!
YOU SENT OUT ONE BOAT AND DIDN'T FOLLOW IT UP WHEN IT SUDDENLY DISAPP-EARED!!
YOU'RE WRONG. WE DIDN'T SEND ANYONE
YUUJI, I HAVE JUST ONE THING TO ASK YOU.
DO YOU UNDERSTAND THAT THE REASON WE'RE GOING TO FIGHT IS TO PROTECT YOU BOTH...?
!
AN OLD RYUUKYUU LEGEND SAYS THAT LONG AGO A GOD VISITED FROM ACROSS THE SEA AND BLESSED THESE ISLANDS
AND YOU, TOO, HAVE A BLESSING THAT ONLY YOU CAN GIVE

I KNOW YOU WANT YUUJI
EVEN YOU KNOW THAT..
ENOUGH! ARE YOU TRYING TO DO SOME-THING TO YUUJI?
BUT NOW'S THE TIME TO STICK TOGETHER!
THIS ISN'T ABOUT PERSONAL FEELINGS!!
THINK ABOUT IT I HOPE THAT THE NEXT TIME WE TALK ABOUT THIS YOU'LL HAVE DECIDED TO COOPERATE WITH US.
YEAH, I'M COMING
GINJI! THERE'S A MEETING!

IT'S ALRIGHT, MINATO, IF YOU WANT TO DO IT
LET'S GET OUT OF HERE, YUUJI, THIS IS.
YUUJI.


COMMANDER, THIS IS THE MAP OF THE VILLAGE, BUT
IT SEEMS THAT THE HUMANS HOUSES ARE POSITIONED AROUND THE OTHERS, WITH THE TARGETTED DWELLINGS GATHERED TOGETHER

FORTUNATELY THE INLET WAS DOWNWIND
OUR ENEMY'S SENSE OF SMELL IS INFALLABLE
IF, BY ANY CHANCE THEY GET THE JUMP ON US, THIS OPERATION IS OVER


I SEE, SO THEY'VE TAKEN HOSTAGES, HAVE THEY?
I HEAR IT'S NOT UNCOMMON FOR LARGE GROUPS OF FANATICAL RELIGIOUS MEMBERS TO COMMIT SUICIDE TOGETHER

I'M GOING TO GO AND "NEGOTIATE"
MAYA

THEY'RE REALLY MONSTERS!

WHAT'S WITH THOSE GUYS? THEY GIVE ME THE CREEPS - YOU CAN'T EVEN HEAR THEIR FOOTSTEPS.
THAT'S BECAUSE THOSE TWO ARE JUST WEARING HUMAN SKIN

I WANT TO MEET HIM.
FATHER SPOKE OF HIM OFTEN,
THE ELDER OF THE TRUE BLOOD, KEEPER OF HISTORY
IS IT REALLY OKAY..?
IN MY HEART, I KNEW THAT IF I CAME HERE I WOULDN'T BE ABLE TO AVOID THIS.
I'VE BEEN TERRIFIED OF IT
BUT AT THIS POINT I JUST NEED TO BEAR IT, DON'T I?
YUUJI

I'LL JUST KEEP TEMPTING THE OTHERS..
WITH MY BODY THIS WAY IF I'M NOT PREGNANT
MI
MINATO?
IT'S NO GOOD!
I WON'T DO IT WHILE YOU'RE LYING THERE STIFF AS A STONE!
EVEN IF YOU LET ME!
AAAAGH! I REALLY WON'T DO IT!
I WONT DO IT!!
NO..
NO GOOD? I DON'T KNOW HOW TO BE ANY BETTER!
WH-WHY?

YOU'RE OVER-ESTIMATING ME, MINATO OR DO YOU THINK I CAN'T TAKE IT BECAUSE I'M JUST A NORMAL HUMAN?
THIS ISN'T TIME FOR INDECISION THERE'S NO TIME! IF YOU DON'T DO IT, SOMEONE ELSE WILL BY FORCE!
I TOLD YOU!
DO WHATEVER YOU WANT, IT'S FINE!
IF SOMEONE DOES YOU A KINDNESS, YOU DON'T FORGET IT!
WITH THOSE OF THE BLOOD

I DON'T FORGET EITHER!
EVEN IF YOU WERE GOING TO GO FAR AWAY OR YOU STARTED TO HATE ME, I COULDN'T FORGET ABOUT YOU, YUUJI!
NEVER!!
YOU'RE NOT REALLY AS ALONE AND USELESS AS YOU THINK!
AND ME TOO!
YOU PUT UP WITH THOSE IDIOTS IN THAT ROTTEN DORMITORY!
YOU GAVE UP EVERY-THING YOU ALWAYS WANTED JUST TO FOLLOW ME..

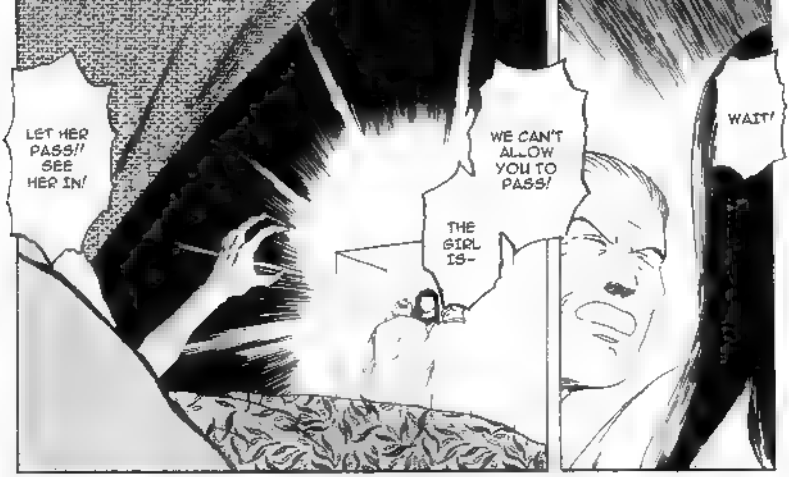
HE-HEY, WHAT'S WRONG!?
MINATO!!
JUST DON'T SAY ANYTHING ELSE FOR A LITTLE WHILE!
EEH..
squeeze
O-OKAY

THEY'LL USE THEM TO IDENTIFY US!!
WE MIGHT BE BE ABLE TO TAKE THEM BUT CAN WE PROTECT THE BELIEVERS AT THE SAME TIME?
WE NEED TO COME UP WITH SOMETHING TO COUNTER-ACT THEM, RIGHT AWAY!
BUT COULD IT BE SOMETHING LIKE WHAT HAPPENED ON HONSHUU?
I DON'T KNOW HOW THEY PLAN TO ATTACK US
IT'S A STRANGER!
WHO ARE YOU?!
YOU CAN'T GO INSIDE!
A WEAPON!

NOW, NOW, THERE'S NO NEED FOR WORTH-LESS BLOOD-SHED
I COME FROM THE NORTH! I WANT TO TALK TO YOUR ELDER
!
A WOMAN OF THE BLOOD?
EVEN IF YOU REALLY DID COME FROM THE NORTH
YOU COULDN'T GO IN!
ZAAA!
IF YOU TAKE ONE MORE STEP,
I'LL MAKE YOU REGRET CROSSING OUR PATHS!!

DON'T MOVE!
GAAA
THE LOT OF YOU TOGETHER CAN'T WIN AGAINST ME!!
IF YOU UNDER-STAND, LET ME PASS!

THAT WOMAN... HOW DID SHE GRAB ME SO FAST FROM THAT DISTANCE, I DIDN'T EVEN SEE HER MOVE!
HEY!! GET A HOLD OF YOUR-SELF!
HAA HAA
HURRY! WARN GINJI AND THE OTHERS!
WHAT THE HELL ?
THIS FEELING.. SHE'S OF THE BLOOD, BUT DIFFERENT FROM US..
ELDER!
SHE'S COME.

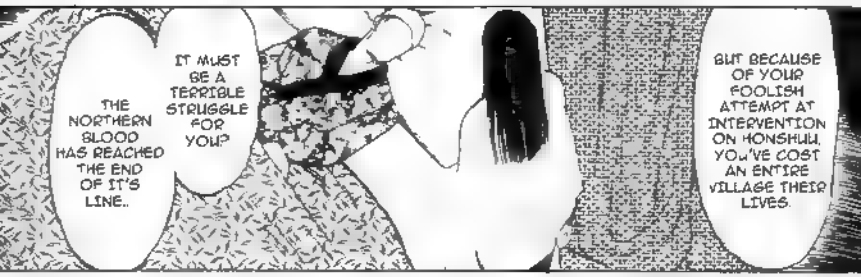

LET HER PASS!! SEE HER IN!
WE CAN'T ALLOW YOU TO PASS!
THE GIRL IS-
WAIT!

SHE WILL KILL US ALL.
IF YOU DO NOT

I AM THE DAUGHTER OF THE CHIEF OF THE NORTHERN CLAN, SHIRAKAWA MAYA
I'VE COME TO RETRIEVE THE GIRL
I M GLAD YOU'VE DECIDED TO HEAR ME OUT

I WAS SENT AS A MESSENGER OVER ALL 3 OF MY BROTHERS

I SEE. SO YOU'RE SHIRA-KAWA'S.


THE NORTHERN BLOOD HAS REACHED THE END OF IT'S LINE..
IT MUST BE A TERRIBLE STRUGGLE FOR YOU?
BUT BECAUSE OF YOUR FOOLISH ATTEMPT AT INTERVENTION ON HONSHUU, YOU'VE COST AN ENTIRE VILLAGE THEIR LIVES.

THIS ISLAND IS ENTIRELY SURROUNDED
BUT I WANT YOU TO CARRY OUT YOUR FINAL ROLE.
YOU'VE GOTTEN OLD

YUUJI, ARE YOU ALRIGHT?

I WILL TRADE THE ISLANDERS' LIVES FOR THE GIRL
WELL THEN

BUT EVEN THOUGH IT MUST BE GREAT TO KNOW ALL ABOUT "SOCIETY"
I ONLY NEED TO KNOW ABOUT WHAT'S IMPORTANT TO ME

YE- YEAH SORRY SOMETIMES I WONDER WHICH OF US IS MORE GROWN UP
I KNOW-
YOU'RE THE GROWN UP AND I M JUST A KID!

I'M SERIOUS ABOUT YOU, YUUJI.
AND I'M DEFINITELY STARTING TO UNDERSTAND YOU!
MINATO
I...
THE BOAT'S COMING TO PICK US UP SOON, SO I SHOULD PACK
YUUJI
LET'S GO TOGETHER!!

IT'S EMBARRASSING, THOUGH.
KNOCK KNOCK!
!
THAT SOMEHOW I'M KIND OF HAPPY
HISA-SAN?
AND HE WOULD- ON'T KNOCK
TOO FAST TO BE MINATO
YOU'RE AYUKAWA YUUJI, AREN'T YOU?
HUH?
HE-EY! NICE TO MEET YOU! I'M SHIRA-KAWA TATSUYA.
YE-YES, BUT WHO ARE YOU?
CREAK

NO, I CAME HERE TO THREATEN YOU.
YOU DIDN'T COME HERE TO NEGOTIATE!!
EVENTUALLY, THE SUCCESS OF OUR PLANS WILL ALL HINGE ON THE GIRL UNTIL WE RETRIEVE THE FEMALE, OUR PLANS ARE ON HOLD.
YOUR HUSBAND.
YOURS IS A MUTATION OF TERRIBLE POWER-
YOU'VE CHANGED FORMS, I CAN SMELL IT ..
YOU'RE NO LONGER THE SAME SPECIES AS WE ARE

BOTH I AND MY THREE BROTHERS ARE ALL COLOR-BLIND
BUT WE WILL DECIDE THE FATE OF OUR ENTIRE SPECIES.
MUT-ANT?!
WELL, I SUPPOSE YOU COULD SAY THAT
WE WILL MOLD THE FUTURE OF ALL DINO-SAUROIDS!
AND IN EUROPE, THE SAINTS, THE EARTH MOTHER, AND ARTEMIS DOMINATED.
ALL OVER JAPAN, THE GODS OF THE MOUNTAINS AND FORESTS ARE WORSHIPPED THE PRIMITIVE PEOPLE BELIEVED THIS ESSENTIAL TO THEIR SURVIVAL

RESPLENDENT PROTECTING NATURE AND DEMANDING THE RESPECT OF MANKIND IN EXCHANGE FOR THEIR BLESSINGS.
AND THEN, HAVING BETRAYED THE GODS OF ANIMISM
AND BREAKING THEIR COMMANDMENTS, MANKIND WILL BE PUNISHED AT THEIR HANDS.
A RETURN FOR THESE DEITIES IS SURELY CLOSE AT HAND
HOWEVER
I AM OF BOTH SEXES AND UNTIL NOW HAVE TRIED TO PRODUCE MY OWN CHILDREN
THIS IS NOT NATURAL! WHATEVER IS THE MEANING OF THIS?
DON'T YOU ALREADY KNOW?
OUR RACE IS DRIVING HEAD-FIRST INTO AN UNCERTAIN FUTURE

I AM THE LODE-STONE!
HIGA-SAN!
JUST NOW, AT THE CENTRAL HOUSE! THE ELDER!!
!
ARE YOU REALLY THAT SLOW, MINATO?
WHAT HAPP-EN-ED?!
WHA- WHY ARE THEY COM-ING HERE?!

THE NEGO-TIATIONS HAVE BROKEN OFF..
ATTACK!!
CALL AN ALERT, THEN GATHER ALL OF THE BELIEVERS AND BRING THEM WITH YOU TO THE FOOT OF THE MOUNTAIN!
F-FOR WHAT?
IT DOESN'T MATTER! JUST DO IT!
WHEN DID THEY LAND? WE DIDN'T SEE ANY-THING..
LOOKS LIKE WE'LL NEED TO DELAY OUR MATCH A BIT LONGER, MINATO!
IN THE MEANTIME, I'LL LEAVE IT TO YOU TO PROTECT YUUJI!!

NOW, COME!!
THIS IS JUST THE BEGINNING YOU'RE GONNA BE REALLY TIRED SOON.
YOU'RE GOING TO HAVE KIDS FOR MY TWO BROTHERS, AS WELL.
BUT, YOU KNOW YOU'RE A LOT CUTER
THAN YOUR PICTURE!

HE'S A DINO-SAUROID, BUT..
GO AHEAD
RUN
I'LL CATCH YOU SOON ENOUGH
IT'S HOPE-LESS.
OR TADOKORO HAS SOMETHING TO DO WITH THIS.
SFX ZAAA
!!
!!

HAVE YOU ALREADY MATED WITH ASABA!?
WHY IS THAT?
YOU LET HIM, DIDN'T YOU?!
Zuh
!!
SFX: BAA

WHY YOU LITTLE.
YOU LITTLE
WHAT THE HECK IS GOING ON?!
SHHH! BE QUIET!
MY WORK IN THE FIELD IS ONLY HALF-DONE
THERE'S AN IMPORTANT EARLY MORNING ASSEMBLY OF BELIEVERS TOMORROW!!
WELL, WE'RE ALL ASSEMBLED HERE NOW, AREN'T WE?
WE'RE IN THE VILLAGE BUT THERE'S NO ONE HERE!
DOESN'T MATTER BURN IT!!

THOSE ASSHOLES ARE IN THE VILLAGE!!
THEY ARE BURNING IT!
AFTER THAT, WE GO TO GET THOSE MONSTERS!!
IT CAN'T BE HELPED THE SAFETY OF THE BELIEVERS AND OUR ELDER COMES FIRST WE HAVE TO GO TO THE CENTRAL BUILDING AND CONFIRM THAT HE'S ALRIGHT!
BUT GINJI!
UNTIL THEY'RE DEAD WE NEVER KNOW WHEN OR WHERE THEY'LL ATTACK!!
WE'LL CRUSH THEM!
TCH! IF ONLY THERE WERE SOME WAY TO MANAGE THIS SITUATION MORE QUICKLY!
WE HAVE NO WEAPONS BUT PLENTY OF ENEMIES!
WE NEED TO USE THE TERRAIN TO OUR ADVANTAGE AND TAKE THEM FROM BEHIND!

IT SEEMS THE HUNT IS ALREADY ON.
MAYA
DID YOU MEET THE ELDER?
YES, BUT
IT SEEMS HE DOESN'T SHARE OUR VISION AFTER ALL
THE 3RD BATTA-LION HAS-!
THEY WERE SEARCHING THE PERIMETER-
DAMMIT! I DIDN'T ORDER THAT!

I DIDN'T PAY GOOD MONEY TO HIRE SOLDIERS JUST TO SEE THEM ALL SLAUGHTERED!
FIND THEM!
YES
OUR ENEMY ISN'T HUMAN SO GET YOUR HEADS OUT OF YOUR ASSES!!
I CAN SEE SOMEONE!
HEY! THERE ON THE EDGE OF THE FOREST!!
!!
WAIT, SOMETHING'S WEIRD LET'S GET A LITTLE CLOSER
IT'S THE SQUAD LEADER! NEAR THAT TREE-

UWAAAA
AAAAAAA
AAAAAAA
AAAAA!!

SFX. CLUNK!!
I KNOW WHERE YOU ARE. I CAN SMELL YOU!
YOU CAN'T HIDE!
A WOMAN'S SMELL.

ALL 3 SFX BANG"
IF I CAN'T ESCAPE I'LL DIE HERE'
HE'LL KILL ME"

CLATTER
TH-THERE MUST BE SOMETHING TO USE AS A WEAPON!
CLATTER
YOU ARE THE KEY
TO CO-EXISTENCE OF HUMANS AND OUR PEOPLE
BAN!!
!!

GROWWWWWWL!
YUUUJI?

NO WAY
BAN!!
COULD THEY HAVE FOUND HIM?
WHERE'D TATSUYA GO?
HE WENT TO FIND HIS BRIDE
BUT DON'T WORRY ABOUT HIM, WE'LL GET OUR OWN TURN SOON ENOUGH

AT ANY RATE
SEEMS LIKE IT'S GOING TO BE A LONG NIGHT
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IF THE RADIO TRANS-MISSIONS ARE ANY INDICATION, THEY'VE BEEN THE VICTIM OF A SURPRISE ATTACK!!
WE NEED TO SEND RELIEF SOON!!
NOW THE 4RTH BATTA-LION!!

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GROWWWL
THIS IS

ドーン!!
FX BANG!!
AAH
OH PLEASE
SFX BZZZZZZZZZZZZZ
PLEASE WORK FOR ME!!

CRUNCH
!!
azzzzzzzzzzzzzzzzzzzzzzzzz
GWAAAR

YUUJI?
!?
grooooowwwl
baki
SHIT!!

GAAAAAAAA
!?
MINATO?

SFX: THWACK

GAAAAAAA

SFX: CLUB CLUB CLUB

MINATO.
YO!!

MAYA?
I THOUGHT I HEARD HIS VOICE
TATSUYA!
BANG
COMMANO POST!! PLEASE SEND SOME BACK-UP!!! WE'VE GOT SOME GUYS ATTACKING US FROM THE WOODS!!
THAT'S NOT LIKE YOU AT ALL
?
I'M GOING TO GO LOOK FOR HIM
ROGER THAT WE'LL DISPATCH THE STH
!!
OPEN YOUR EYES, SOLDIER THOSE GUYS ARE THE BAIT
THE MEN OF THIS VILLAGE ARE LIKE ME, THEY WON'T BE TAKEN SO EASILY UNDER-ESTIMATE THEM AND YOU'LL BE SORRY

HEE
HELP US
GHAAAAAAAAAAAAR
HHHHHH
HE SUFFERED TO THE VERY END
ELDER!
GINJI
IT'S

MINATO
AFTER ALL THAT WE WERE STILL TOO LATE
WHO WAS THAT?
HE CAME FROM THE NORTH SAID HE WAS MY HUSBAND..
SORRY, ALWAYS GET WORN OUT FROM A TRANS-FORMA-TION
EVEN SO, YOU FOUGHT HIM OFF PRETTY WELL
HE CAME TO CARRY OUT DR TADOKORO'S PLAN WHEREVER WE RUN, THEY'VE FOLLOWED US
IT'S HIS BLOOD ON YOU ISN'T IT?
TO NIRAI KANAE*
<AUTHOR'S NOTE,>*THE LAND WHERE THE SUN GOES WHEN IT SETS.

I REALLY BELIEVED THAT YOU WOULD COME FOR ME
BUT I -
HEEY
snuggle
I DIDN'T WANT YOU TO GET HURT
WAS ABLE TO DRAW COURAGE FROM THAT
.SO I
I'LL COME BACK FOR YOU AS SOON AS I CAN
BUT THEY SHOULDN'T THINK THEY CAN KILL THAT HIGA-ASSHOLE SO EASILY
WAIT HERE FOR ME
.OK
WHAT HAPP-ENED TO THE VILL-AGE?
THEY STILL HAVEN'T FOUND THE HUMANS FROM THE VILLAGE, BUT THE DOCTOR'S GOT HIS OWN PRIVATE ARMY OUT ON THE HUNT

---IF MY INSTINCT'S RIGHT----- TADOKORO'S ARMY LOST THIS BATTLE
THE WIND'S CARRYING THE SMELL OF HUMAN BLOOD
MINATO
YOU SHOULD HIDE INSIDE!!
"HUMAN BLOOD" IS IT?
TO MINATO, HUMANS ARE STILL A WEAK LOWER SPECIES OF ANIMAL.
GLAS-SES?
BO-OKS?
A NATI-ONAL FLAG?
THAT'S RIGHT THIS MUST HAVE BEEN AN ARMY DUGOUT -----

HUMANS, BY NATURE, ARE FOND OF DIFFICULT WARS AREN'T THEY?
THERE'S NO RESPONSE FROM THE 1ST, 2ND OR 4RTH BATTALIONS!!
WE'VE LOST THEM!!
THE 3RD AND 5TH BATTALLION HAVE 30 MEN AT MOST---
WE HAVE TO RETREAT!!
IT SEEMS THIS PLANET DOES HAVE A PERFECT ECOSYSTEM AFTER ALL
THE STRONGER SPECIES REALLY DO ERADICATE THE WEAK

HOW TERRI-BLE, BUT JUST AS I EXPEC-TED
THEY DON'T STAND A CHANCE AGAINST US IN TERRAIN LIKE THIS
SFX BYUUU
HUMANS ARE USELESS IN THE JUNGLE AT NIGHT
!!
SFX HINN

!!
ZAZAZA
UWA
UWA
WA
ZAA
GAKUN!!
WAA

MINATO?
YOU.
ASABA MINATO?
WHAT WILL YOU DO IF I AM?
I'M KIND OF AT YOUR MERCY HERE!!

I'M SO GLAD TO FINALLY MEET YOU
NOW, YOU'LL TELL ME WHERE THE GIRL IS?
YOU'RE A GIRL YOURSELF AREN'T YOU?!
THE BLOOD'S RUSHING TO MY HEAD
STOP CHASING AFTER YUUJI!!
IT'S SAID THAT OF ALL THE BLOOD BORN IN THE NORTHEAST, YOU'RE THE PUREST
DID DR TADOKORO SAY THAT?
SO YOU WOULD NOT UNDERSTAND
THE DESPAIR OF THOSE OF US IN THE NORTH--
YOU WOULDN'T UNDERSTAND!!

DES
PAIR?
MAYA!!
CRY ZAZA!

WHAT HAPP-ENED?
IT LOOKS AS THOUGH
MINATO'S GOTTEN AWAY
YOU MET HIM?
THIS IS THE FIRST TIME MY PREY HAS EVER ESCAPED
WE FOUND HIM...
BUT MAYA, TATSUYA WAS--

MAYA.
SHE'S BEAUTIFUL BUT SCARY AS HELL
HIGA-SAN, IT'S ASABA MINATO
THE HUMAN BELIEVERS ARE STARTING TO HELP US
WE'RE WEARING DOWN AND MANY OF US HAVE BEEN INJURED
IT'S OK, LET HIM IN

THE ELDER HAS PASSED FROM THIS WORLD TO THE PARADISE IN THE NEXT
BUT WITHOUT ANY HELP, WE CAN'T AVOID OUR DESTINY
A LONG, WAKING DREAM FINALLY COMES TO AN END
WE BECOME ONE WITH IT
THAT'S THE COURSE OF LIFE AND LIKE ALL LIVING THINGS, IN THE END NO MATTER HOW WE FOUGHT OR USED NATURE
I HAVE A FAVOR TO ASK-----
HISA

THIS ARCHIVE AND LITHO-GRAPH---
I WANT TO ENTRUST THEM TO AN ARCHEO-LOGIST
IT'S BEEN HANDED DOWN FROM GENERATION TO GENERATION IN THE RYUUKYUU TRIBE
LET IT ACT AS A LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT FOR OUR ELDER
A SCHO-LAR--?
I'D LIKE THEM TO GO TO MR HIRATSUKA AKIO, HE'S A SPECIALIST IN MONGO-LOID STUDIES AND A CRYPTO-ZOO-LOGIST*
HE'S ALSO LEARNED IN ANCIENT TEXTS
I WANT HIM TO DECIPHER IT
HE'S ALWAYS BEEN INCREDIBLY RECEPTIVE AND GENEROUS TO THE VILLAGE ON THIS ISLAND
IT'S ENTIRELY POSSIBLE THAT HE'S THE ONLY SCIENTIST WHO CAN PROVE THE EXISTANCE OF THE BLOOD TO THE WORLD
I GUESS THAT'S ALL THEN SO-----
MINATO

*SOMEONE WHO STUDIES MYTHICAL OR CREATURES THAT CAN'T BE CONFIRMED TO EXIST BY MODERN SCIENCE

LEAVE YUUJI BEHIND
LET GO
IS THAT A NO?
HISA-SAN
I'LL KILL YOU!

C-CUT IT OUT, DON'T FIGHT OVER SUCH A THING!
YUUJI, IT'S NOT A FEMALE'S RIGHT TO CHOOSE
WHO-EVER'S LEFT ALIVE AND STANDING WILL BE THE MAN THAT HOLDS YOU
SFX: BAKI BAKI BAKI BAKII

ALL MY LIFE SOMEONE ELSE WAS ALWAYS DECIDING FOR ME
THE RIGHT TO CHOOSE? I'VE NEVER HAD THE RIGHT TO CHOOSE

SO EVERY DAY I JUST GO ALONG FOR THE RIDE...
I'M TOO INDECISIVE
BUT WAS IT THAT I NEVER REALLY HAD A CHOICE? OR I JUST WASN'T MAN ENOUGH TO MAKE IT?
MEN ARE STRONGER THAN WOMEN, MORE DECISIVE THAN WOMEN, AND HAVE MORE FREEDOM... DON'T THEY?
IF I HAD ONLY BEEN MORE OF AN EGOIST I COULD HAVE AVOIDED ALL OF THIS

BUT MINATO IS FIGHTING
ONLY FOR ME
MINATO.
BUT YOU CAN DO LOTS OF COOL THINGS
DOESN'T MATTER IF YOU'RE A GUY OR A GIRL

I COULD NEVER FORGET YOU, YUKI!"
NEVER!!
MINATO!!
I WANT TO GO WITH MINATO!!
MINATOO!

SFX DOKAAA
YUUJI..
I LOSE
WELL, GO ON

LET'S GO!!
HIGA-SAN

THERE'S NO TIME GO
LOOKS LIKE YOU'VE MADE YOUR CHOICE

B-BUT!!
IT'LL HEAL IN A NIGHT
YOU OVERDID IT A BIT DIDN'T YOU? THAT WOUND IS.

YOU SAID YOU WOULD COME WITH ME, DIDN'T YOU?!

ON THIS GROUND. I'M SURE OF IT
IT'S IMPOS-SIBLE MINATO
BUT
THE MAIN-LANDERS RETURN TO THE MAINLAND

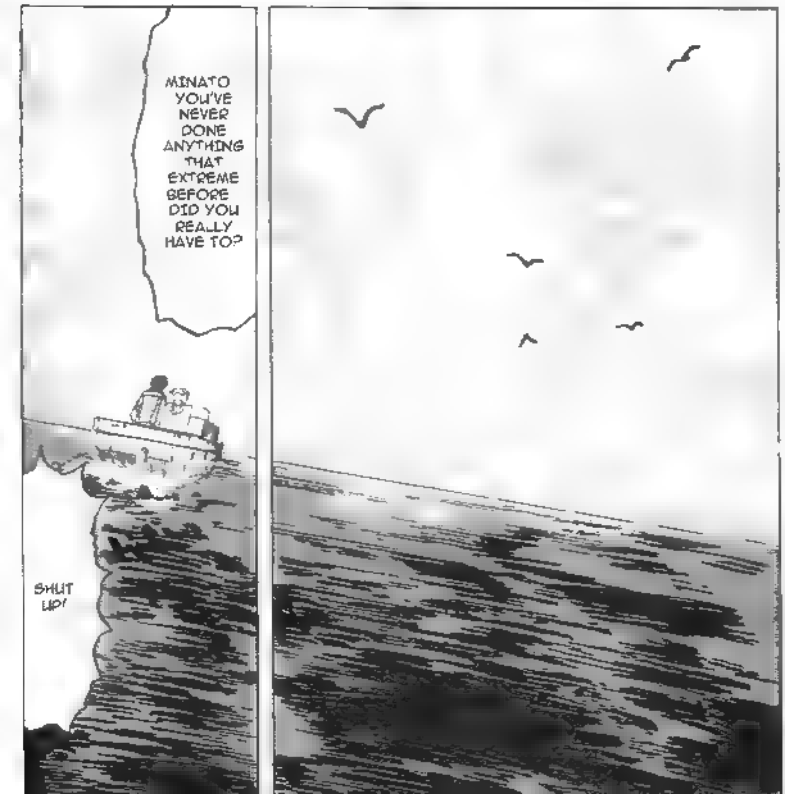
I'LL FIND MY OWN REST HERE
THE 1ST, 2ND AND 40TH WERE ANNHI-LIATED
AND MORE OF OUR NUMBER HAS BEEN IN-JURED WITH THIS NUMBER OF CASUALTIES CONTINUING THE OPERATION WOULD BE-----
HOW IS HE? IS HE PULLING THROUGH?
IT'S NO GOOD

WHO DID THIS
I DON'T BELIEVE IT
LOOKS LIKE HIS ARTERY WAS SEVERED BY CLAWS
THEN HE FELL INTO THE OCEAN AND DROWNED

MAYA
HE DID IT HE KILLED OUR BROTHER TATSUYA
I FELT IT
I'M GOING TO FIGHT WITH MINATO

WHY'S THAT?
THERE'S NO MIS-TAKING IT, THIS WAS ASABA MINATO
ONLY HE COULD DO THIS

WILL NOT LEAVE THIS ALIVE
AND ONE OF US


MINATO YOU'VE NEVER DONE ANYTHING THAT EXTREME BEFORE DID YOU REALLY HAVE TO?
SHUT UP!

WASN'T THERE SOMETHING ELSE?
THERE MUST'VE BEEN ANOTHER WAY
THEN YOU WANTED TO HAVE SEX WITH THAT GUY?!
MINATO
ASS-HOLE

ALRIGHT I GET IT. JUST COVER UP!!
DON'T LET THE BLANKET FALL. YOU'LL FREEZE
I KNOW THERE WASN'T MUCH ALTERNATIVE .. OR ANY ROOM TO BE SENTIMENTAL
SORRY, I GUESS I'M BEING NAIVE
I'M NOT MAD!
A.. ARE YOU STILL MAD?

I'M A LITTLE TIRED SORRY
LIKE A GIRL
AAH.. HE SMELLS GOOD
D-DID YOU FALL ASL-EEP?
HE'S REALLY TURNING MEON
AT 17?! WHAT SHOULD I DO AT A TIME LIKE HIS?
NO, I CAN'T
I CAN'T RUSH HIM.. I NEED TO MAKE HIM TRUST ME!!
HOW LONG CAN I SIT HERE JUST LETTING HIM USE MY SHOULDER---?

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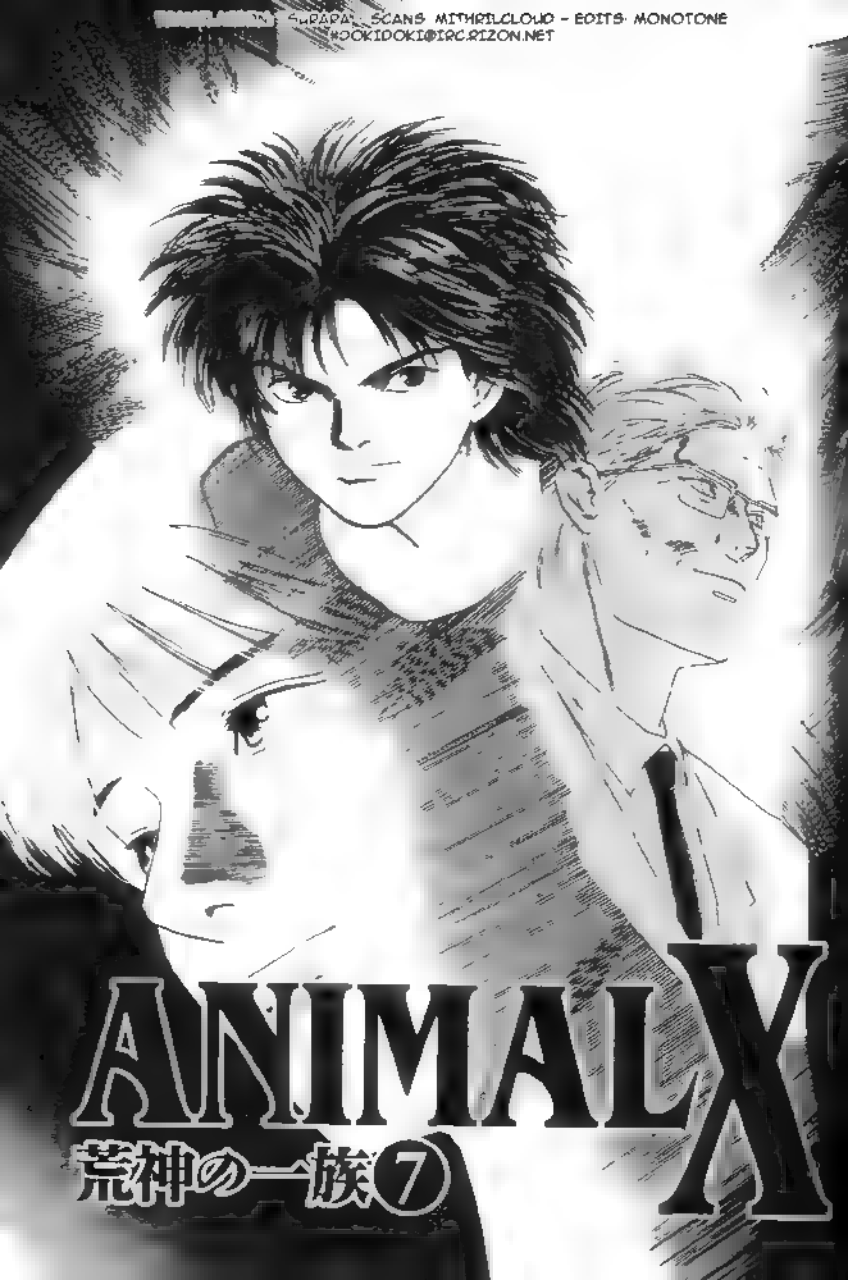

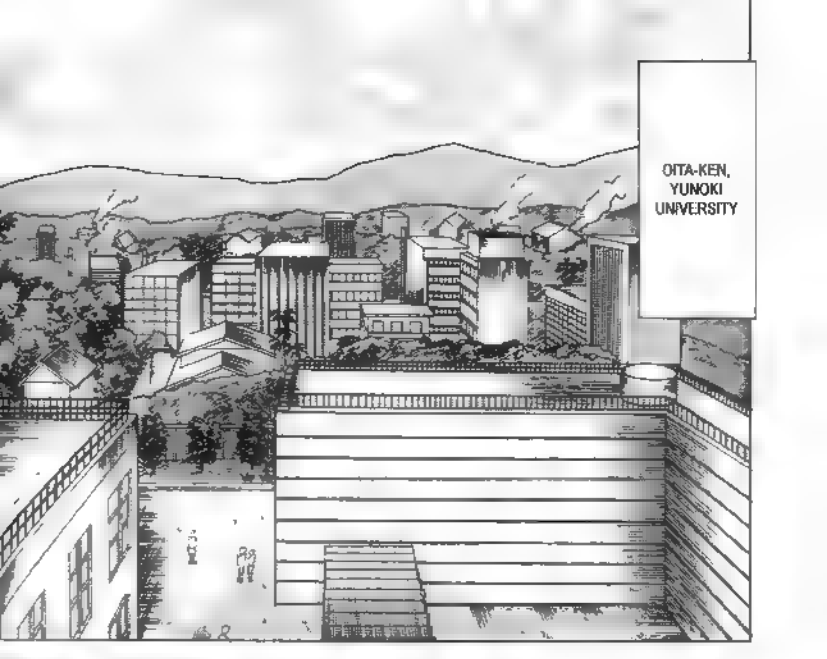
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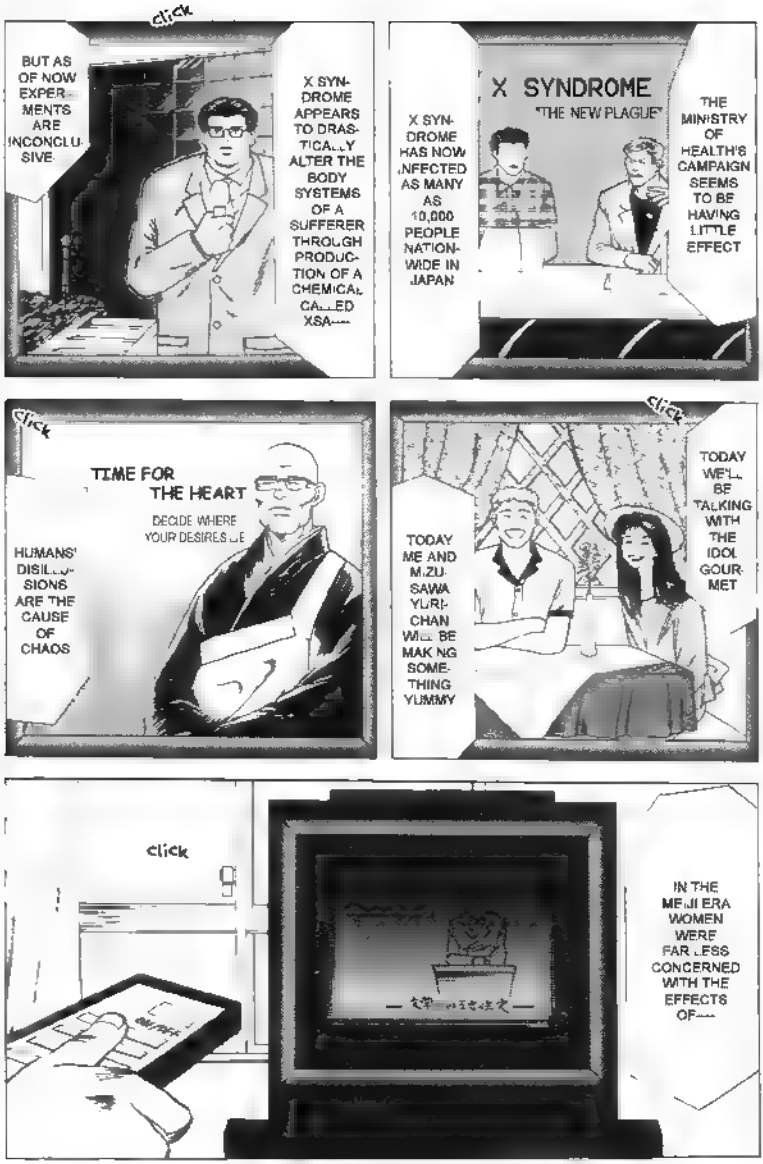
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BUT AS OF NOW EXPER-MENTS ARE INCONCLU-SIVE
X SYN-DROME APPEARS TO DRAS-TICALLY ALTER THE BODY SYSTEMS OF A SUFFERER THROUGH PRODUC-TION OF A CHEMICAL CALLED XSA----
X SYN-DROME HAS NOW INFECTED AS MANY AS 10,000 PEOPLE NATION-WIDE IN JAPAN
X SYNDROME
"THE NEW PLAGUE"
THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH'S CAMPAIGN SEEMS TO BE HAVING LITTLE EFFECT
click
TIME FOR THE HEART
DECIDE WHERE YOUR DESIRES LIE
HUMANS' DISILLU-SIONS ARE THE CAUSE OF CHAOS
click
TODAY WE'LL BE TALKING WITH THE IDOL GOUR-MET
TODAY ME AND MIZU-SAWA YURI-CHAN WILL BE MAK NG SOME-THING YUMMY
click
IN THE MEIJI ERA WOMEN WERE FAR LESS CONCERNED WITH THE EFFECTS OF----

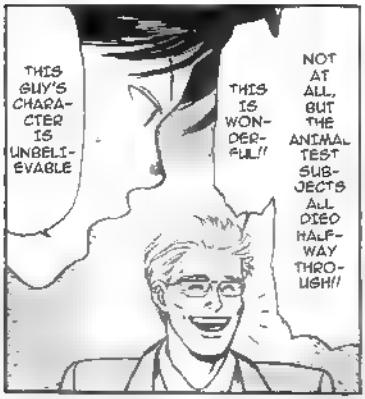
I'VE HAD ENOUGH OF TRYING TO SEE EYE-TO-EYE WITH THAT BLOCK-HEADED PRO-VOST
FOR SOMEONE IN THE TEACHING PROFES-SION HE'S CLOSED-MINDED
I'M PRETTY MUCH FINISHED UP HERE I FIGURE I'LL LEAVE THE BIG-WIGS TO THEIR MEETINGS
AFTER ALL, I'VE PAID MY DUES HERE ALREADY
HEY, "HIRAT-SUKA", ISN'T IT? WHAT'S GOING ON? WHY THE LUGG-AGE----
WHAT ABOUT THE ANNUAL SYMPOSIUM THIS AFTERNOON, AREN'T YOU EVEN GOING TO ATTEND?
NO THANKS
I'M AFRAID I HAVEN'T MADE THAT MANY FRIENDS IN THE ACADEMIC COMMUNITY, NOT THAT I NEED ANY.

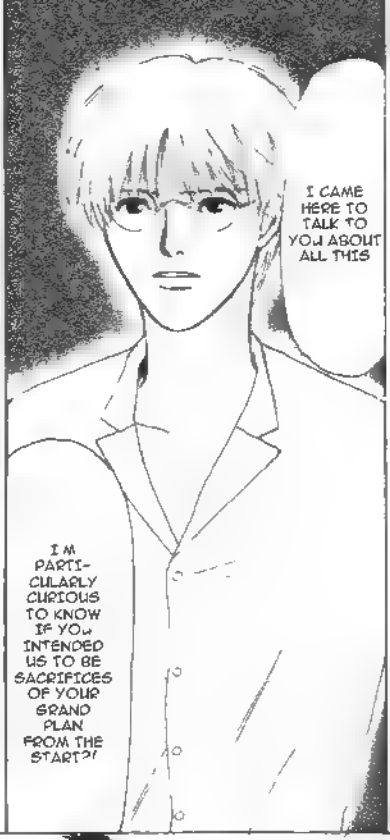
NOT MUCH HAS CHANGED
WELL? WHAT DO YOU PLAN TO DO FROM HERE ON?
GONNA BUY A BIG OLD PLACE IN HOKKAIDO
AND THEN I'M GOING TO SIT DOWN AND WRITE A CHRONICLE OF HUMANITY'S HISTORY AND CULTURE---
BY THE TIME I FINISH
OUR WORLD MAY ALREADY HAVE ENDED!!
Ha Ha Ha Ha Ha Ha
NO
IT'S JUST BEGINNING HIRATSUKA

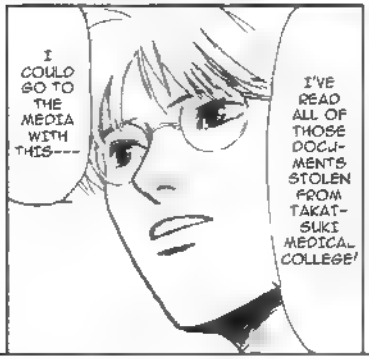
THE LIGHTS ARE ALREADY ON AND READY FOR THE SEMINAR HOURS BEFORE-HAND ?
?
ADMIR-ABLE
DID SOME-ONE COME AND SET THEM UP?
LEAP!!

!!
YOU'RE!!
YOU DR TADOKORO? GLAD TO FINALLY BE ABLE TO MEET YOU
NAME S ASABA MINATO!!

I THINK I'VE GOT MORE THAN ENOUGH REASON TO TEAR YOUR BALLS OFF
WAIT!! CALM DOWN, WHERE'S AYUKAWA?
WHAT THE HELL ARE YOU PLAYING AT? YOU'RE THE ONE BEHIND THE MURDER OF MY ENTIRE VILLAGE, AREN'T YOU!!
HAVING ME PARTICIPATE IN THAT DRUG TRIAL..
YOU MEANT FOR THIS TO HAPPEN DIDN'T YOU?
SO IT WORKED?! THE HERMAPHRODITIC RESTORATION WAS A SUCCESS!!
DOCTOR!


THIS GUY'S CHARACTER IS UNBELIEVABLE
THIS IS WONDERFUL!!
NOT AT ALL, BUT THE ANIMAL TEST SUBJECTS ALL DIED HALFWAY THROUGH!!


I CAME HERE TO TALK TO YOU ABOUT ALL THIS
I'M PARTICULARLY CURIOUS TO KNOW IF YOU INTENDED US TO BE SACRIFICES OF YOUR GRAND PLAN FROM THE START?!


I'VE READ ALL OF THOSE DOCUMENTS STOLEN FROM TAKATSUKI MEDICAL COLLEGE!
I COULD GO TO THE MEDIA WITH THIS---

AND THEN? WHAT WILL YOU TELL THEM?
CLEARLY YOU DON'T YET COMPREHEND THE SCALE OF MY PLAN
DID YOU KNOW THAT BOTH ENDO CHEMICAL AND THE GOVERNMENT ARE PRIMARY INVESTORS IN THE PLAN?

SHUT UP!!
HOW ABOUT I TEAR YOU TO PIECES RIGHT HERE---?
SORRY, I'M AFRAID I CAN'T DIE JUST YET
FOR THE SAKE OF THE FUTURE!
pan!!
pan!

DON'T WORRY, IT'S JUST ANES-THESIA
ABOUT THE SAME DOSE AS WE'D USE FOR AN ELEPHANT
WELL THEN, YOU'LL COME WITH US NOW
MINATO!?
ENDO CHEMICAL, MEDICAL RESEARCH LAB, KYUUSHUU BRANCH

WE STILL DON'T KNOW --- BUT AYUKAWA'S OUR NEW MASTERPIECE
I WONDER WHY THIS HAS TURNED OUT SO MUCH BETTER THAN THE ANIMAL TESTS BEFORE?
LET'S JUST HOPE THIS PROGRESS IS IRREVERSABLE
knockknock
IT'S ALMOST FINISHED
THE HORMONE BALANCE----
THE UTERUS DEVELOPMENT IS NEARLY PERFECT!!

SENPAI.
IT'S DINNER
YOU'LL HAVE ANOTHER EXAM IN ANOTHER DAY OR SO
EAT! DON'T YOU LIKE NATTOU ANYMORE?
NOT A GREAT GIG, IS IT?
GOT TRANSFERRED DOWN HERE FROM THE NORTHEAST LAB
YOU'RE PROBABLY NOT TO THRILLED TO BE HERE EITHER ARE YOU?
KIND OF SHOCKED ABOUT YOUR BODY---
BUT I ALWAYS KNEW YOU WEREN'T COMPLETELY MALE
I WONDER WHAT YANAGISAWA-SAN AND YOUR PARENTS WOULD THINK

W-WHERE'S MINATO? THEY WON'T HURT HIM WILL THEY?!
THAT BRAT BELONG TO YOU?
WHA
WHAT DO YOU MEAN?
YOU BEEN MAKING SEXY EYES AT HIM?
COULD YOU REALLY DO IT WITH THAT MON-STER---?
THEY NEED HIM FOR TESTS, I DOUBT THEY'D HURT HIM MUCH
TO-MORROW YOU'VE GOT ANOTHER EXAM. SLEEP
THAT BRAT BELONG TO YOU?

MINATO
WHY IS IT THAT I'M SO NERVOUS WHEN I'M APART FROM YOU..?!
NAH. I WAS JUST SURPRISED!!
WE KNEW FROM HIS PAST EXAMS THAT HIS DNA WAS THE PUREST WE'VE SEEN, MAYBE EVEN 1ST OR 2ND OUT OF ALL THE DINOSAUR-OIDS-------
THEY'VE BEEN INBREEDING SO LONG THAT GENETIC DEFORMITIES ARE ALMOST ALWAYS TO BE EXPECTED!!
THAT'S WHY HE'S DANGE-ROUS

---I SEE
DOCTOR, HE S A BIT MALNOURISHED SO WE'RE GOING TO RUN SOME BLOODWORK FOR ANEMIA
GO AHEAD
NEXT IS SOME BLOODWORK
ALRIGHT YOU CAN PUT YOUR CLOTHES BACK ON
CAN WE PUT HIM TO SLEEP THIS WAY?
PARDON!?
YES
ANYTHING TO ASSURE THE BEST RESULTS POSSIBLE..
HE S THE KEY TO EVERYTHING AFTER ALL
WHATEVER I DO, HE WON'T EAT A THING I GIVE HIM
HOW MANY DAYS IS THAT NOW? FIVE ?

BRING HIM IN
PLEASE SIT, AYUKAWA-KUN
WHY WON'T YOU EAT? YOU DON'T NEED TO WORRY ABOUT ASABA MINATO!
LISTEN TO ME, YOU STARVING YOURSELF WON'T HELP HIM ONE BIT!!

I KNOW YOU HAVE VERY LITTLE REASON TO TRUST ME
BUT I WOULD LIKE YOU TO SIGN A CONTRACT WITH ME
LEAVE US
YOUR PARENTS WILL MAKE A FORTUNE FROM THE LIFE INSURANCE POLICY WE WILL PROVIDE
THEY'RE WELL, AS YOU SEE, AND BELIEVE THAT YOU'RE ALREADY DEAD
YOUR WHEREABOUTS ARE NO LONGER OF ANY CONSEQUENCE TO YOUR FAMILY
DO YOU UNDERSTAND?
SO
THE HUMAN CALLED YUUJI AYUWAKA IS ALREADY DEAD

DOC-
TOR
WELL THEN, YOU'LL EAT WON'T YOU? AYUKAWA-KUN
ALREADY DEAD..
YOU NO LONGER EXIST
DAD..
MOM
WHAT DO I DO NOW

ARE WE ACTUALLY GOING TO BE ABLE TO SEDATE HIM..
THEN WHAT AFTER WE SEDATE HIM WHAT DO WE DO---
HE'S ALREADY BEEN DOPED AND HE'S STILL LIKE THIS
I GUESS ALL THAT PURE DINOSAUROID BLOOD MAKES HIM TOUGHER THAN A COCKROACH
LET ME OUT--
ASSHOLES--
FUCKERS--
HEY WHAT THE HELL IS THIS?! LOOK HERE!!
IF HE TRANS-FORMS HERE IT'S OVER, WE NEED TO USE A STRONGER SEDA-TIVE-----
GRAAA

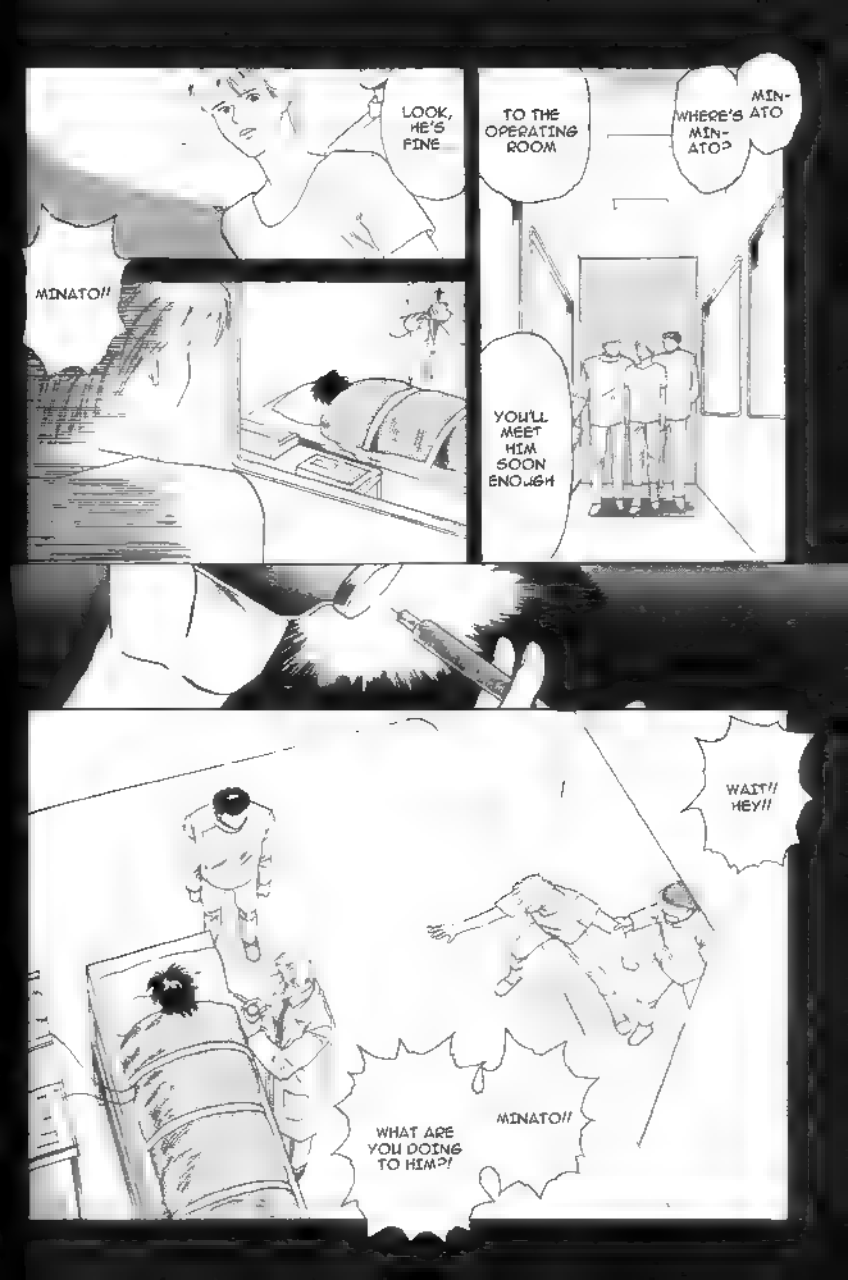
SEEMS WE MAY HAVE TO TERMINATE HIM AFTER ALL
AYU-KAWA
DINNER
WHEN I LOOK AT YOU LIKE THIS, YOU REALLY DO SEEM LIKE A GIRL
!
DID YOU EVER DO IT WITH YANAGI-SAWA?
FROM THAT LOOK, I GUESS NOT

THE OBSER-VATION CAMERAS ARE OFF
WANT TO TRY OUT THE NEW PARTS WITH ME?
!
AYU-KAWA
DON'T WORRY, I'LL USE A CONDOM
SE
SENPAI
splash
YOU LITTLE

SFX: STABBED!
BASTARD!!
WHO WOULD WANT A FREAK LIKE YOU ANY-WAY?!
WHAT THE HELL ARE YOU DOI-NG?
SFX: KICK
YOU MAKE ME PUKE
ARE YOU ALRIGHT? SHOW ME THE WOUND
GET AWAY FROM HIM!!

SO AHEAD AND DO WHATEVER YOU WANT TO ME DOCTOR!! EXPERIMENTS, TESTS FORCE-FEEDING ..
BUT
AYU-KAWA-KU.
SLAP!
I WON'T DO ANYTHING YOU SAY!
UNTIL YOU LET MINATO GO FREE
---ALRIGHT, I SEE
DOC-TOR!!
MINATO HASN'T DONE ANYTHING WRONG!!

WILL YOU CONSENT TO ARTIFICIAL INSEMINATION?
HE'S RECOVERED FROM THE ANEMIA AND WE'RE PREPARING THE SURGERY ROOM
I'VE ASKED OUR BRAIN SURGEON IIDA-KUN TO JOIN US
WHY?
WHY INDEED? FOR AYUKAWA-KUN'S FRONTAL-LOBE LOBOTOMY OF COURSE
THAT SHOULD MAKE HIM MORE OBEDIENT


LOOK, HE'S FINE
MINATO!!
TO THE OPERATING ROOM
WHERE'S MINATO?
MINATO
YOU'LL MEET HIM SOON ENOUGH
WAIT!! HEY!!
WHAT ARE YOU DOING TO HIM?!
MINATO!!

IT'S ALREADY BEEN INJECTED INTO HIS ARTERY
DOCTOR TADOKORO'S ORDERS
IT'S LETHAL, YOU'RE TOO LATE
THIS IS NEMBUTOL?!
DENBTAL
THIS IS USED TO PUT ANIMALS DOWN!!
WHAT THE FUCK ARE YOU DOING?!
HANG ON!!
THANK GOD YOU'RE SAFE
YUUJI?
MINATO!!
MINATO
DON'T DIE!!
I'LL, I'LL DO SOMETHING TO SAVE YOU, SO
I'M STARTING TO DRIFT OFF..
YOUR LIP WHO HIT YOU..? SHIT

YUUJI. YOU'RE CRYING FOR ME, AREN'T YOU?
IF ONLY I COULD BE MORE OF A MAN NOW SHIT---
MINATO!!
!
HE'S GOING TOO COLD...
HE'S FLAT-LINED
P
NOO
I... IT CAN'T BE
MIN-ATO
IT'S A LIE!

IS THIS REALLY HOW IT ENDS?
MINATO!!
MAKE YOURSELF COMFORT-ABLE
ANEST-HESIA.
?

IMPOS-
SIBLE!!
WE'RE
STILL
GETTING
A BLOOD
PRESSURE
READING!!
HEY!!
SFX: BAKIIIIIIII
HEY

SFX: SLAM
!
THE FIRE ALARM?
slide
!

SLASH

MINATO.
HE'S IN A RAGE. CAN HE EVEN TELL THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN ME AND THEM?
SFX: GWAAAAAAR
IT'S ALRIGHT I'D RATHER BE EATEN THAN LIVE THIS WAY
MINATO
!!

HURRY!! WE HAVE TO GET OUT OF HERE!!
YUUUJI. I M TIRED---
YOU'RE BACK TO NORMAL!!
I M SURE HE'S NOT FOOLISH ENOUGH TO MAKE THIS EASY FOR US!!
AYUKAWA-KUN CAME HERE TO TRAIN, HE KNOWS IT WELL!
BUT THEY STILL NEED TO GET PAST THE GUARDS!!
THE MONITOR IN THE OPER-ATION ROOM HAS BEEN DESTR-OYED!!
THE BASEMENT TUNNELS!!
DOCTOR!! THE POWER ..!!
WE'LL CATCH THEM BEFORE THEY ESCAPE!!
SHIT

MUCH LONGER AND THE VIRUS WILL DIE!!
START THE RES-ERVE POWER STAT ION!!
WE'RE TRYING TO GET IT GOING NOW!!
?
YUUJI WHAT'S THAT?
THE BASE-MENT TUNNEL ENDS NEAR THE PARKING LOT WE CAN STEAL A CAR THERE!!
HURRY!
WELL WELL!! THERE WE GO
IT LOOKS LIKE SOME SORT OF BACTERIAL CULTI-VATION BUT..?
I HAVEN'T SEEN THIS ROOM BEFORE WHAT THE?
YES, WE CAN GET THE CULTURE RIGHT BACK ON TRACK---
DOCTOR TADO-KORO!! THE X-SYNDROME VIRUS IS SAFE!
THE TEMPERA-TURE'S RETURNING AS WELL..
EARTH'S SAVIOR IS SAFE!

MINATO!! SPEED UP!!
SFX SNAP
UWAAA
SO THIS MEANS X SYNDROME IS A MAN-MADE BIOHAZARD----!?
SFX SCREEECH
THEY RAN RIGHT OVER THE DAMN GATE
THAT WAY!!
STOP!!

I CAN'T BE SURE YET BUT..
I THINK DOCTOR TADOKORO IS.. USING ENDO MEDICAL TO MANUFACTURE THIS THING HE CALLS "THE EARTH'S MESSIAH"
HE SEEMS TO BE PREPARING TO DISPERSE IT AND REDUCE THE POPULATION-----
AND CREATE A NEW CIVILIZATION A FUTURE FOR THE HYBRID OFFSPRING OF CHOSEN HUMANS AND DINOSAUROIDS----
YOU CRIED, DIDN'T YOU, YUUJI?
HUH?
WHEN I ALMOST DIED
THAT'S BECAUSE I REALLY THOUGHT YOU WERE DYING
THEN YOU CARE ABOUT ME JUST A LITTLE RIGHT?
I..I GUESS SO~~~

I'M NOT YOUR LITTLE BROTHER
SINCE YOU'RE LIKE A LITTLE BROTHER TO ME MINATO
YOU DON'T GET IT, DO YOU?
I DON'T CARE WHAT YOU KNOW ABOUT THE WORLD, WHAT DO YOU REALLY THINK OF ME?!
W-WELL I'M OLDER THAN YOU AND I KNOW MORE ABOUT THE WORLD SO--
?
I'D GIVE MY LIFE FOR THIS!
IT'S COMING ISN'T IT~~?
"KINO OF" ~~~~?
MIN-ATO
ITS KIND OF HOW I FEEL ABOUT YOU

FOR YOU
HUM?
THE DISTANCE IS...
COULD IT BE!
COULD IT BE

TO THAT AYUKAWA YUUJI...
NOW I CAN'T GO BACK
MINATO
MINATO
YOU DO THIS SORT OF THING WITH GUYS YOU ONLY LIKE A LITTLE?
I DON'T THINK IT EVEN OCCURED TO ME TO THINK ABOUT MY OWN SITUATION
BUT BECAUSE THIS IS THE FIRST TIME ANYTHING LIKE THIS HAS EVER HAPPENED TO ME, I DIDN'T KNOW WHAT TO DO
WHEN WE WERE SEPERATED, I COULDN'T GET YOU OUT OF MY HEAD AT ALL. NO MATTER HOW I TRIED

THROW THEM AWAY!!
BUT THE GIRL, MY PARENTS
!

SO THROW EVERY-THING ELSE AWAY
AS LONG AS YOU'RE WITH ME YUUJI, YOU WON'T BE ALONE

WHAT AM I SAY-ING---!! I'M BEING SELFISH, HUH?!

I KNOW IT WOULD PROBABLY BE IMPOSSIBLE TO HAVE THAT WORLD BACK AND MINATO TOO...
MY FATHER... MOTHER...
KYOUKO-CHAN

THAT'S.... MIN-ATO.....

I DUNNO... DOES IT MATTER?
WHA- WHAT'S TODAY?!
ONE DAY!!
AREN'T I NICE?! ONE MORE DAY!
I'LL GIVE YOU ONE MORE DAY TO GIVE THEM UP
THE ONE WE PUT THE ARCHIVE, NOTES, LITHOGRAPH AND ALL OUR LUGGAGE IN!! WE'VE GOT TO GET THEM BACK!!
THE DEADLINE ON THE RENTAL LOCKER!!
DON'T WORRY ABOUT IT--- WE KISSED, EVERY-THING'S GREAT NOW, RIGHT?
IS NOT!!
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